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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
October 3, 1991

The meeting was held at 2:00 p.m. on October 3, 1991, Arcola/Tuscola Room - MLK Union.

Members present: Dr. Sutton, Dr. Shank, Dr. Shonk, Dr. Monippallil, Dr. McAlister, Dr. Higelmire, Dr. Hawker, Dr. Baumgardner, Dr. Gholson, Ms. Krueger, Ms. Elliott, Mr. Stover.  
Members absent: Vice President Kindrick.  
Staff present: Dr. Whitley, Ms. McDaniel, Academic Affairs.  
Visitors: Assistant Dean Lynch, Mr. Hild, Dr. P. Church, Dr. B. Cole, Dr. Lasky, Mr. J. Johnson, Dr. Ankenbrand, Ms. Bulver, Dr. Spencer, Dr. Sundheim, Dean Hill, Dr. Breidenbach, Mr. T. Pierce, Daily Eastern News.

I. Minutes.

The Minutes of September 26, 1991, were approved as published with the following correction:

VII. Working Definition of the Major should be substituted for Working Definition for the Study of the Major each time it occurs.

II. Communications.

1. From Dr. Whitley, definition of the major from Southeast Missouri State.
2. From the Undergraduate Studies Committee of the English Department a statement of agreement with the SUE recommendations regarding the major.
3. From the Mathematics department, a point by point analysis of proposals in the SUE document.
4. Minutes of the College of Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee.
5. Minutes of the College of Education Curriculum Committee.
6. Minutes of the Council on Graduate Studies.
7. From Ms. Jean Lang, Student Academic Services, schedule of the events for the Conference of Community College Counselors.
8. Academic waiver report from the College of Education for the month of September.
9. Academic waiver report from the College of Applied Sciences for the month of September.
10. Academic waiver report from the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences for the month of September.
11. Request for Executive Action regarding PSY 3720, The Psychology of Gender Differences.

III. Statement on Assessment from the Assessment Committee, (91-46).

Dr. Baumgardner moved and Ms. Krueger seconded the motion to approve the proposed statement. Voting will be later.

IV. New Course Proposal, PHI 3600, Special Topics in Philosophy, (91-41).

Dr. Higelmire moved and Ms. Krueger seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Voting will be later.

V. New Course Proposal, PHI 3740, Philosophy of Mind, (91-42).

Ms. Krueger moved and Dr. Shonk seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Voting will be later.

VI. New Course Proposal, PHI 3780, Philosophy of Science, (91-43).

Dr. McAlister moved and Dr. Hawker seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Voting will be later.

VII. Proposed Revision of the Philosophy Major, (91-44).

Ms. Krueger moved and Dr. Shonk seconded the motion to approve the proposed revision. Voting will be later.

VIII. New Course Proposal, MAT 2800, Foundations of Mathematics, and Proposed Program Changes, (91-45).

Dr. Higelmire moved and Dr. Monippallil seconded the motion to approve the proposal. Voting will be later.

IX. New Course, FRE 4100, Topics in Francophone Cultures, (91-36).

Dr. Sundheim and Ms. Bulver presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. The motion passed, as amended, unanimously.

This action approves the following to become effective Fall 1992:

**FRE 4100, Topics in Francophone Cultures. 3-0-(Arr.1-3). F. Topics in Culture. Special topics in French and Francophone cultures not ordinarily treated in standard courses. Topic and outlines of course will vary. Prerequisites: Six credits beyond FRE 2202 or consent of Department Chair. Course may be taken twice with consent of Department Chair.**

X. New Course, FRE 4200, Topics in Francophone Literatures, (91-37).

Dr. Sundheim and Ms. Bulver presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. The motion passed, as amended, unanimously.

This action approves the following to become effective Spring 1992:

**FRE 4200, Topics in Francophone Literatures. 3-0-(1-3). S. Topics in Lit. Special topics in French and Francophone literatures not ordinarily treated in standard courses. Topic and outline of course will vary. Prerequisites: Six credits beyond FRE 2202 or consent of Department Chair. Course may be taken twice with consent of Department Chair.**

V. Honors General Education Courses, (91-38).

Dr. Lasky presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. The motion passed, as amended, unanimously.

This action approves the following to become effective with the implementation of the new general education courses:

**GENERAL EDUCATION COURSES**

ANT 2200-C  
ART 2310-C  
ART 2650-C  
ART 3620-C  
BOT 1050-C  
ENG 1001-C  
ENG 1002-C  
ENG 2009-C  
ENG 2010-C  
ENG 2011-C  
ENG 3009-C  
ESC 1400-C  
EVB 3010-C  
GEG 1100-C  
GEG 1200-C  
GEL/ESC 1300-C  
HEC 2472-C  
HIS 1500-C  
HIS 2000-C  
HIS 3700-C  
JOU 2001-C  
LFS 1001-C  
MAT 1441-C  
MAT 2120-C  
MAT 2250-C

**EQUIVALENT HONORS COURSES**

ANT 2290-C  
ART 2390-C  
ART 2690-C  
ART 3690-C  
BOT 1090-C  
ENG 1091-C  
ENG 1092-C  
ENG 2099-C  
ENG 2090-C  
ENG 2091-C  
ENG 3099-C  
ESC 1490-C  
EVB 3090-C  
GEG 1190-C  
GEG 1290-C  
GEL/ESC 1390-C  
HEC 2492-C  
HIS 1590-C  
HIS 2093-C  
HIS 3790-C  
JOU 2091-C  
LFS 1091-C  
MAT 1491-C  
MAT 2190-C  
MAT 2290-C

MUS 3553-C  
 PED 2850-C  
 PLS 1153-C  
 PLS 2253-C  
 SOC 2750-C  
 SPC 1310-C  
 THA 1140-C  
 THA 3753-C  
 ZOO 1001-C  
 ZOO 3001-C

MUS 3593-C  
 PED 2890-C  
 PLS 1193-C  
 PLS 2293-C  
 SOC 2790-C  
 SPC 1390-C  
 THA 1190-C  
 THA 3793-C  
 ZOO 1091-C  
 ZOO 3091-C

#### EQUIVALENT HONORS COURSES

ANT 2290-C The Anthropological Perspective (3-0-3)  
 ART 2390-C Introduction to Art (1-4-3)  
 ART 2690-C Images and Ideas (3-0-3)  
 ART 3690-C The Historical Context of Art Production (3-0-3)  
 BOT 1090-C The Plant World (2-2-3)  
 ENG 1091-C Composition and Language (3-0-3)  
 ENG 1092-C Composition and Literature (3-0-3)  
 ENG 2099-C Literature and Human Values (3-0-3)  
 ENG 2090-C Literary Masterworks (3-0-3)  
 ENG 2091-C Literature, the Self, and the World (3-0-3)  
 ENG 3099-C Myth and Culture (3-0-3)  
 ESC 1490-C Weather and Climate (3-2-4)  
 EVB 3090-C Environmental Life Science (3-0-3)  
 GEG 1190-C Cultural Geography (3-0-3)  
 GEG 1290-C World Regional Geography (3-0-3)  
 GEL/ESC 1390-C Earth Sciences (2-2-3)  
 HEC 2492-C Nutrition and Well-Being (3-0-3)  
 HIS 1590-C Historical Foundations of Civilizations (3-0-3)  
 HIS 2093-C The U.S. Constitution and the Nation (3-0-3)  
 HIS 3790-C Turning Points in the History of Religion and Science (3-0-3)  
 JOU 2091-C News, Media, and Society (3-0-3)  
 LFS 1091-C Biological Principles and Issues (2-2-3)  
 MAT 1491-C Calculus and Analytic Geometry I (5-0-5)  
 MAT 2190-C Finite Mathematics (3-0-3)  
 MAT 2290-C Elementary Statistics (4-0-4)  
 MUS 3593-C Survey of Musical Masterworks (3-0-3)  
 PED 2890-C Fitness for Life (2-2-3)  
 PLS 1193-C American Government and Constitution (3-0-3)  
 PLS 2293-C Global Politics and Interdependence (3-0-3)  
 SOC 2790-C Social Problems in Contemporary Society (3-0-3)  
 SPC 1390-C Introduction to Speech Communication (3-0-3)  
 THA 1190-C World Theatre and Society (3-0-3)  
 THA 3793-C Development of American Theatre and Drama (3-0-3)  
 ZOO 1091-C The Life of Animals (2-2-3)  
 ZOO 3091-C Heredity and Society (2-0-2)

#### V. General Education Assessment Subcommittee Proposal, (91-39).

Dr. Hawker presented the amendment to the Council. The motion failed with a vote as follows:

Yes: Dr. Hawker, Ms. Krueger, Dr. Shonk.

No: Dr. Baumgardner, Ms. Elliott, Dr. Gholson, Dr. Higelmire, Dr. McAlister, Dr. Monippallil, Dr. Shank, Mr. Stover, Dr. Sutton.

Ms. Elliott presented the proposal and answered questions of the Council. The motion passed, as amended, with a vote as follows:

Yes: Dr. Baumgardner, Ms. Elliott, Dr. Gholson, Dr. Higelmire, Ms. Krueger, Dr. McAlister, Dr. Monippallil, Dr. Shank, Dr. Shonk, Mr. Stover, Dr. Sutton.

No: Dr. Hawker.

This action approves the following to become effective immediately:

**GENERAL EDUCATION ASSESSMENT  
SUBCOMMITTEE PROPOSAL**

**Purpose:**

The General Education Assessment Subcommittee will develop goals, methods, and means to assess the quality of general education and learning at Eastern Illinois University.

1. This subcommittee will be composed of:
  - (a) Six faculty members (one from each college recommended to the CAA by the appropriate academic dean) for staggered terms of three years,
  - (b) One student member appointed by the President of the student body, and
  - (c) The Director of General Education (ex-officio).

The Chair of this committee will be elected on an annual basis.

2. The Committee will begin to collect data now that can be used in formative and summative evaluation of the Integrated Core. Research which looks at students' perceived knowledge levels and satisfaction with pre-1992 General Education versus the "integrated core" is to be conducted and initiated within the 1991-92 academic year.
3. External evaluators may be used to help set up an appropriate, well-planned approach to assessment.
4. This subcommittee will report directly to CAA and may undertake additional tasks as assigned by CAA.

**Subcommittee:**

Dr. Kathlene Shank (Chair)  
Dr. Cheryl Hawker  
Ms. Erin Elliott

Note: Dr. Higelmire and Ms. Elliott left the meeting at this point.

**VII. Working Definition of the Major, (91-40).**

The Council discussed the definition of the major. The motion passed, as amended, with a vote as follows:

Yes: Dr. Baumgardner, Dr. Hawker, Ms. Krueger, Dr. McAlister, Dr. Monippallil, Dr. Shank, Dr. Shonk, Mr. Stover, Dr. Sutton.  
Abstain: Dr. Gholson.

**Working Definition of the Major**

An Academic Major shall be defined as a curricular component that enables students to make an in-depth inquiry into a discipline or a professional field of study. It is organized around specific goals and objectives that, when accomplished, provide a set of courses with connections defining an internal structure. A major that focuses on a discipline draws its courses predominantly from one department. One that encompasses a professional field of study or is interdisciplinary usually obtains its courses from more than one department.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50.

Billie Rawlings - Recording Secretary

**Executive Officer's Report**  
**September 24, 1991**

The following items were approved by Executive Action to become effective immediately.

1. SOC 4730 -- Change course title to: "Family and Society."
2. MAT 1123C, MAT 1666C, MAT 1775C -- Change course numbers to 1160C, 1170C, and 1180C, respectively.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING**  
**October 3, 1991, 2:00 p.m.**  
**Arcola/Tuscola Room-MLK Union**

**Agenda:**

- \*88-99 Undergraduate Education Study of Eastern Illinois University.
- \*90-153 Proposed Recommendations of the Task Force on Minority Participation, Chapter V: Teaching, Learning, and the Curriculum.
- \*91-46 Statement on Assessment from the Assessment Committee.
- \*91-41 New Course Proposal, PHI 3600, Special Topics in Philosophy.
- \*91-42 New Course Proposal, PHI 3740, Philosophy of Mind.
- \*91-43 New Course Proposal, PHI 3780, Philosophy of Science.
- \*91-44 Proposed Revision of the Philosophy Major.
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\* Motion on floor.